

About Plays and Players

By BIDE DUDLEY

CHARLES FROHMAN, Inc., announces that the regular season of the Empire Theatre will begin on Monday evening, Sept. 30, when Cyril Maude will appear there in C. Haddon Chambers's new comedy, "The Saving Grace." Besides Mr. Maude the cast will include Laura Hope Crews, Betty Murray, Charlotte Granville, Annie Hughes, Edward Douglas and William Devoreux. "The Saving Grace" ran for more than 200 nights last season at the Garrick Theatre, London.

"TIGER ROSE" TO MOVE.
Owing to an arrangement whereby Otis Skinner will appear in "Humpty-Dumpty" at the Lyceum Theatre early in the season, David Belasco is forced to close the run of "Tiger Rose" at that house Aug. 31. At that time the play will have had nearly 100 performances at the Lyceum. Mr. Belasco will move "Tiger Rose" to the Manhattan Opera House for an engagement of four weeks, after which it will tour the principal cities.

BY WAY OF DIVERSION.
What do we use to fight the heat? What keeps the milk and butter sweet? What is it when the sun beats down, when the wind blows the leaves down, and makes the apple blossom brown? What brings us bills or which we fret? What is it keeps us all in debt? What will the woman some day need when her front door has been freed? What has she seen that she has used? Lo!

TYLER IS WONDERING.
George C. Tyler is wondering whether he is to have a hand in the production of the Balmfater play, "The Better Ole," which has been done successfully in London. He has been entertaining a plan to put it on in association with Charles Cochran, who owns the rights, but now he hears that the American Play Company has sold the American rights to the Coburns. Mr. Tyler says it is up to Mr. Cochran to disentangle the mix-up and decide who gets the play.

TO OFFER YIDDISH PLAYS.
The Irving Place Theatre, which used to offer German drama, has been leased by Maurice Schwartz and will be conducted as a Yiddish playhouse. As his opening attraction on Aug. 29, Mr. Schwartz will produce a new play by Z. Lubin entitled "A Man and His Shadow."

DOUG. MADE A MILLION.
Douglas Fairbanks's contract with Artcraft for the distribution of his films is nearing its end and he is said to have been offered \$2,000,000 for his next eight pictures. During the year just passed Fairbanks has made over \$1,000,000. He says he's feeling pretty good.

BRANDT CATCHES ONE.
Joe Brandt, General Manager of the Universal Film Corporation, wanted to go fishing the other day so Harry Levey took him down to Rockaway Park. After sitting on a pier four hours without catching anything they decided to go home and say they'd been playing cards. Joe dejectedly pulled his line and it tugged. Terribly excited, he got busy and after much effort hauled in an old boot. While Harry laughed Joe examined the boot and, lo and behold, there was a little live fish in it. Joe was delighted with his catch.
"How do you suppose he ever got in there?" asked the envious Harry.
"That's easy," replied Joe. "He tried to pull his boot on and fell in."

MARJORIE RAMBEAU ILL.
"Where Poppies Bloom," in which A. H. Woods is to star Marjorie Rambeau, will not open at the Republic to-night, as scheduled. The initial performance will be given next Monday. Miss Rambeau is ill.

GOSSIP.
Morton Selten has been added to Otis Skinner's company.
Will Rogers says the Germans have taken parts of Russia to have more room for retreating.
Leon Errol is producing a George V. Hobart musical skit for C. U. Minsk. Errol is furnishing the music, also.
The male principals of "The Passing Show of 1918" are engaged in an exciting checker tournament.
Stanley Sharpe, manager of the Winter Garden, was married yesterday to Edith Whitney of that theatre.
The Pioneer Film Company announces that "Wives of Men," a picture, will open at the Casino Aug. 25.
Georges Plateau has been engaged for "Crops and Crouches" with which Ida Payne will open the Belmont Theatre.
Thomas Emory and Jane Blake have been added to the cast of William Collier's new play, "Nothing But Lies."
Leta Linn of Dallas, Tex., who was soloist with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, will have the lyric soprano role with Mitzel in "Head Over Heels."
Lieut. John Philip Sousa came to New York yesterday to witness a rehearsal of a Hippodrome spectacle for which he wrote the music.
Geraldine Farrar and her husband, Lou Tellegen, will arrive in New York to-day from Cody, Wyo., where Miss Farrar has been doing some film acting.

ANSWERS TO INQUIRIES.
A. D. C.—Ask Victor Leighton, Klav & Erlanger's office.
A. H.—Never heard of a play called "Gosh Ding It!"
A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.
A Harlem man is preparing to patent a puzzle which he calls "The New Subway."
FOOLISHMENT.
My sister once climbed a tree. My mother remarked: "Hilly hilly! What a wild idea!"
Poor sister was vexed.
But Dad turned those flip-flops in glove.
FROM THE CHESTNUT TREE.
Angry Patron (in restaurant).—This soup is awful. Where's the proprietor?
Waiter.—He's gone out to get his lunch.

LITTLE MARY MIXUP



The Farmer "Raised" but Mary "Called!"

THE BIG LITTLE FAMILY



And It Was a Bad Day for Luke, Too!

JOE'S CAR



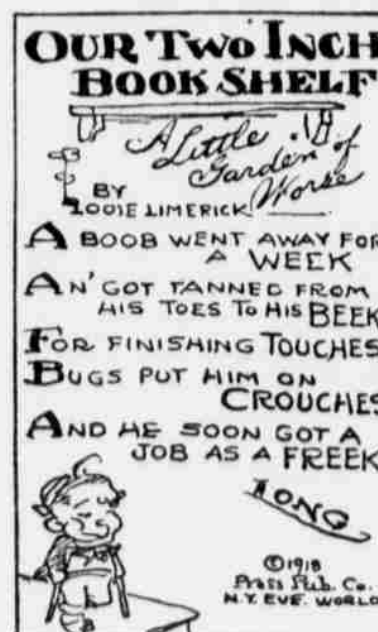
This Ought to Cure Joe of His Sarcasm!



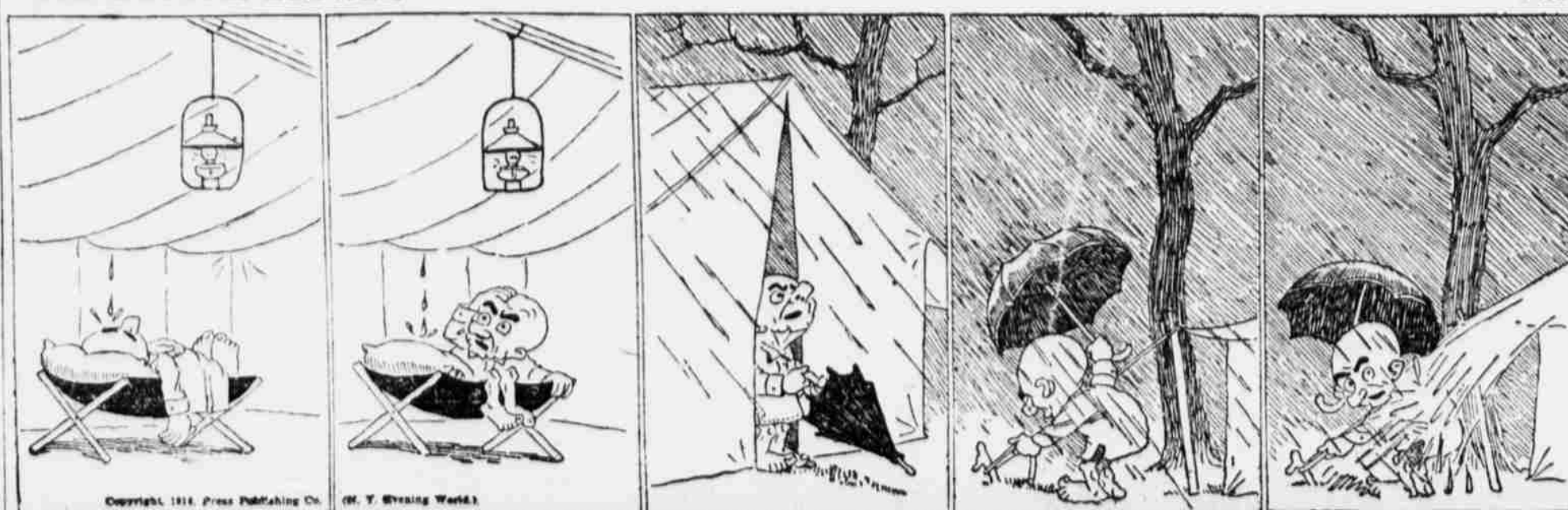
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Vacationists Don't Recognize Themselves When They Get Home!



GRINDSTONE GEORGE



The Tent Was Equipped With a "Shower" Bath!

